

DURHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE HELD

Address of Dr. Few the Pre-
eminent Feature

Feast of Good Things in 47th
Session Held at Roxboro
This Week.

Roxboro, June 14.—The 47th session of the Durham District Conference of the Methodist church was held at Littleton Female College; Rev. L. S. Massee, editor of the Christian Advocate, and M. W. Brabham, veld secretary of the Sunday School here this week.

The conference met Wednesday morning with the elder, Dr. R. C. Beaman, presiding. Rev. A. J. Parker, of West Durham, was elected secretary.

Thursday morning Dr. S. S. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College, for Women; Rev. J. M. Rhodes, president, were introduced to the conference and each ably presented the institution or cause which he represented. Mr. Brabham conducted a question box and showed that two Sunday schools in the district, Trinity at Durham and Burling, had reached the standard of efficiency and were entitled to a certificate.

A strong resolution of appreciation of the works of Dr. Beaman as presiding elder of the district for four years was adopted. Also a resolution of thanks to the town for its excellent and hospitable entertainment. License to local preachers was renewed. Rev. J. M. Ormond read a well and ably prepared paper on "The Problems of the Country Church."

At 8 o'clock each evening, 6:30 and 11:30, each morning devotional services were held. The 6:30 a. m. services were of somewhat a revival nature and were all conducted by Rev. A. D. Wilcox, and despite the inclement weather and early hour were fairly well attended. Rev. R. J. Parker preached the introductory sermon Tuesday evening. Rev. G. S. Bearden, of Chapel Hill, preached at 11:30 Wednesday morning and Mr. Wilson in the evening.

Thursday morning at 11:30 the 47th of the Conference was reached when Dr. Few delivered an address on Education and Trinity College. This was both an intelligent and spiritual feast after which Dr. Beaman announced that he was just about ready to entertain a motion to license Dr. Few to preach whether he was an applicant or not, as there was no question but what he could beat the preachers at their own jobs.

At the evening service, Rev. A. D. Wilcox, pastor at Louisburg and financial agent for Louisburg College, delivered an illustrated stereopticon address on "The Value of Woman," made a stirring appeal and took a collection and subscriptions for the college.

Rev. W. F. Craven preached and the closing services was a sermon by Rev. W. W. Peele, headmaster of Trinity Park High school.

The services and sessions were greatly added to by the singing of a splendid quartette composed of Revs. A. L. and J. H. Ormond, A. J. Parker and Mr. A. S. Parker, and solos by Miss Beaman and Miss Annie E. Parker.

DRUGGISTS FOREGO WATERWAY TRIP

Meeting of Pharmacists at New Bern
Adjourns and Attendants Depart
For Home.

New Bern, June 13.—After holding a short session at the Gaston hotel this morning, the druggists who have been here this week attending the thirty-fourth annual convention of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association, decided to give up the proposed trip through the inland waterway canal on the revenue cutter Pamlico, and formally closed the convention.

Many of the members returned home on morning trains, while others left this afternoon.

TO IMPROVE CAR SERVICE.

Durham, June 13.—In response to a constant demand for better schedules in the cars of the city the traction company is making preparations to put out more cars on one of the branch lines so that better connections can be had with the main line. At present the company furnishes a car every ten minutes on the Main street line, and one every fifteen minutes on Chapel Hill street.

MRS. FRENCH'S LAST STORY.

The July Century will publish "Verita's Stratagem," the last story from the pen of the late Anne Warner French.

BLUE AND GRAY TO MEET AGAIN AT GETTYSBURG; 40,000 CIVIL WAR VETERANS IN FRIENDLY REUNION JULY 1-4



Top, left to right: Alfred Beers, Secretary of War Garrison and Gen. Bennett H. Young. Bottom, Gen. Nelson A. Miles and Daniel E. Sickles.

Gettysburg, Pa., June 30.—The quiet old battlefield of Gettysburg is a busy place these days, for hundreds of soldiers of the regular army are hard at work getting things in readiness there for the great veterans' reunion, scheduled for the first four days of July.

Forty thousand veterans—old warriors of the North and South—are to meet on this historic field—not in bloody combat this time, but in friendly reunion.

So the engineer's department and the quartermaster's department of the regular army are very busy. They will have to take care of a small city while the reunion is in progress. So a lighting system, a sewer system, a water system, hospitals and all other

necessary facilities for housing many thousands of people are being established. Five thousand tents are being erected, with one for each man. The barren old battlefield is being transformed, almost as if by magic.

The State of Pennsylvania is host for the reunion and has appropriated a quarter of a million dollars. Congress also has appropriated a quarter of a million. So there will be money enough to take care of every old soldier who attends. Between June 29 and July 6 the State of Penn-

sylvania and Uncle Sam will see to it that veterans get everything they need, and without expense. They will have only their railroad fares to pay.

The ceremonies will begin on July 1, and the day will be given over to exercises by the G. A. R. and the United Confederate Veterans, whose commanders-in-chief, General Alfred B. Beers, of Bridgeport, Conn., and General Bennett H. Young, of Louisville, Ky., will preside.

On the following day the program will consist of maneuvers by regular army troops, several regiments of which will be present. July 3 will be "civic" day, and July 4 will be "national" day, with President Wilson's address the principal attraction.

Among the important figures who will be present are General Daniel E. Sickles and General Nelson A. Miles, both of whom fought brilliantly for the North in the Gettysburg engagement, and Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison.

ALEX STRONACH GOES TO SAMOA

Becomes Judge of Pacific Is-
land Leaving July 1

Appointment of Secretary
Daniels—Family Goes With
Him—Few Americans There

Alex. Stronach, prominent attorney of the local bar, has accepted the appointment of Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, to the judgeship of Samoa, and will leave a week hence for the long sail.

Mr. Daniels offered the appointment several weeks ago and Mr. Stronach has had it under advisement. A few days ago he wrote his acceptance and July 1 will set sail on the Pacific for a cruise of 5,000 ending in the American Samoa.

Before leaving, Mr. Stronach will go to Washington, arrange his passage, discuss the post with the government and leave June 24 for San Francisco. He will spend June 30 there and leave the following day. It will require fourteen days of fast sailing to land him on the mid-Pacific and in making

the trip he passes through the remainder of the north temperate into the torrid zone.

Samoa is somewhat like ancient Gaul, divided into three parts, one of which a few hundred Americans and seven or eight thousand native inhabit. Though south of the equator and in the heart of the torrid zone, it has even North Carolina beaten for temperateness of climate and is a producer of the coconut and banana, orange and all tropical fruits. Mr. Stronach's young son has already picked out his coconut tree, which he means to climb as soon as the boat lands.

The American Samoa is under the direction of the naval department of the United States and a naval officer is governor of the island. Mr. Stronach's duties make him secretary of affairs, though in nowise the clerical aid of the governor. He is also judge of the district court and to him will be referred the legal matters that come up. He is not a trial justice and does not have to sit on minor offenses. It is a responsible position and it carries large salary with it.

The appointment takes with him his family, of course, and it means their absence, perhaps four years. Mrs. Stronach and the children have gone to Virginia and are visiting there. They will join Mr. Stronach in Charlottesville and cut across the continent to San Francisco. They will make two stops momentarily on the trip, seeing a little of Honolulu on the way. They go within 2,300 miles of Sydney, New South Wales, and see about half the world on the long trip.

They find in the town in which they live about 200 Americans, and among these will be Paul Tinsley Cheek, of Orange county, 1898 University man, who has been made superintendent of

schools of Samoa. He is now in the Pacific and will soon land. The island is not without its social features and the health of the place is good.

Mr. Stronach has lived in Raleigh his entire life and has always held place among lawyers who value integrity above everything that a lawyer may have. He has stood with the forces that worked for a clean town and as police justice made a good record. He held that position two years. During his earlier years as a lawyer, he was nominated for the General Assembly of 1894 but went down with the wreck of the State and the crash of political matter.

Mr. Stronach's appointment by a Raleigh man to high position even so far away, will be gratifying to those who wish him fortune wherever he goes. The single regret is that it takes him and his family in truth to the furthestmost parts of the earth—and sea.

ONLY A FEW MORE TABLETS LEFT

Washington, D. C., June 13.—Cities which want one of the Maine memorial tablets recently prepared for distribution by the Navy department haven't much time to lose if they are to be sure of getting one of the necessarily limited number.

The tablets are made of metal from the United States Ship Maine after it was raised from the Havana harbor. They are 13 by 18 inches in size, weigh about fifteen pounds and are distributed in municipalities, naval and military associations, for the asking. A charge of about \$5, the cost of making the tablets, is made. Applications are made on regular blanks to the Secretary of the Navy.